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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

- 1. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:
 - (a) at least one cationically curable species;
- (b) at least one cationic photoinitiator selected from I-centered onium salts. S-centered onium salts, and mixtures thereof; and
- (c) at least one encapsulated base selected from those represented by the formula A-B_n, wherein A is a substantially insoluble particle that comprises at least one side-chain crystallizable polymer, each B is an independently selected base unit comprising a basic species, n is an integer of at least 1, and A and B are joined by a covalent chemical bond.
- 2. (Original) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said cationically curable species is a monomer.
- 3. (Original) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said cationically curable species is selected from the group consisting of vinyl ethers; vinylidene ethers; N-vinyl carbazoles; vinyl silanes; N-vinyl pyrrolidinone; 1,1-dialkyl-, trialkyl-, and tetralkyl-substituted olefins; styrene and substituted styrenes; cyclic and acyclic olefins; conjugated diolefins; epoxides; cyclic ethers; and mixtures thereof.
- 4. (Original) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said cationically curable species is selected from the group consisting of epoxides, vinyl ethers, and mixtures thereof.
- 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 1[[5]] wherein said onium salt comprises at least one anion selected from the group consisting of:

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(R₂SO₂)₂G

(R₂SO₂)₃C

and

 $(R_iSO_2)_2N^2$

wherein each R_f is independently selected from the group consisting of fluorinated or perfluorinated alkyl radicals having from 1 to about 20 carbon atoms, fluorinated aryl radicals having from 6 to about 10 carbon atoms, and ring structures formed from two said fluorinated or perfluorinated alkyl radicals joined together to form a unitary alkylene radical having 5 or 6 ring atoms, said radicals optionally containing one or more divalent oxygen, trivalent nitrogen, or divalent sulfur atoms.

- 7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Canceled)
- 10. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said A is an organic polymer particle.
- 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said side-chain crystallizable polymer comprises $C_{12} C_{50}$ aliphatic groups.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said B is selected from the group consisting of primary amines, secondary amines, tertiary amines, and heterocyclic amines.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said encapsulated base is enclosed in at least one encapsulant material.

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- 15. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 14 wherein said encapsulated base is microencapsulated.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:
- (a) at least one cationically curable species selected from the group consisting of epoxides, vinyl ethers, and mixtures thereof;
- (b) at least one onium salt selected from I-centered onium salts, S-centered onium salts, and mixtures thereof; and
- (c) at least one encapsulated base selected from those represented by the formula A-B_n, wherein A comprises at least one side-chain crystallizable polymer; B is a base unit selected from the group consisting of primary amines, secondary amines, tertiary amines, and imidazoles; n is an integer of at least 1; and A and B are joined by a covalent chemical bond.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 16 wherein said onium salt comprises an anion selected from the group consisting of C(SO₂CF₃)₃ and N(SO₂CF₃)₂, and said base unit is imidazole.
- 18. (Original) The composition of Claim 1 at least partially cured.
- 19. (Original) The composition of Claim 16 at least partially cured.
- 20. (Original) An article comprising the composition of Claim 18.
- 21. (Original) An article comprising the composition of Claim 19.
- 22. (Original) The article of Claim 20 further comprising at least one substrate having at least one surface that is degradable by acid.
- 23. (Original) The article of Claim 21 further comprising at least one substrate having at least one surface that is degradable by acid.

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- 24. (Currently Amended) A process comprising the steps of:
 - (a) providing a composition comprising:
 - (1) at least one cationically curable species;
 - (2) at least one cationic photoinitiator selected from I-centered onium salts, S-centered onium salts, and mixtures thereof; and
 - (3) at least one encapsulated base selected from those represented by the formula A-B_n, wherein A is a substantially insoluble particle that comprises at least one side-chain crystallizable polymer, each B is an independently selected base unit comprising a basic species, n is an integer of at least 1, and A and B are joined by a covalent chemical bond;
 - (b) irradiating at least a portion of said composition to effect at least partial cure of said portion; and

exposing at least said portion of said composition to conditions sufficient to make said encapsulated base chemically available for reaction.